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Disposition of Claims			
4) ☐ Claim(s) 8-11,14-16,27-30,32,41,42 and 45-49 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdraw 5) ☐ Claim(s) 8-11,14-16,27-30,32,41,42 and 45-49 6) ☐ Claim(s) is/are rejected. 7) ☐ Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) ☐ Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/o	wn from consideration. is/are allowed.		
Application Papers			
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 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority document 2. Certified copies of the priority document 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority application from the International Bureau * See the attached detailed Office action for a list 	s have been received. s have been received in Applicati rity documents have been receive u (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).	on No ed in this National Stage	
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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 8-11, 14-16,27-30, 32,41-42,45-49 are allowed.

Drawings

2. The drawings filed on 11-12-1997 are acceptable subject to correction of the informalities indicated on the attached "Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review," PTO-948 and the Examiners Remarks to the drawings of the Notice of allowance mailed 8-12-2002. In order to avoid abandonment of this application, correction is required in reply to the Office action. The correction will not be held in abeyance.

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- 3. This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:
- 4. a) The Examiner requests a new substitute specification incorporating all the previous amendments. A substitute specification including the claims is required pursuant to 37 CFR 1.125(a) because due to the numerous amended changes and a lengthy prosecution history, the examiner requests a clean copy of the present pending specification. A substitute specification must not contain new matter.
- b) The Examiner also requests a clean copy of the pending claims.

 Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

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A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO**MONTHS from the mailing date of this letter.

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tony G. Soohoo whose telephone number is (571) 272 1147. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Tues. - Fri..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wanda Walker can be reached on 571-272-1151. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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